

SPORTS

MURPHY HAS BEEN THROUGH WHOLE LOT

Man Who Fights Willie Ritchie This Week Has Had Some Great Battles in His Time.

HE IS IN CLASS WITH BOB FITZSIMMONS IN ONE RESPECT

His Wonderful Condition After Years of Strenuous Strife Considered by Noted Expert.

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San Francisco, Dec. 8.—While watching Tommy Murphy at work in his gymnasium and noting the evident zest with which he tackles his exercises and the energy he infuses into the things he does it is hard to realize that the sturdy little New Yorker has been through in the boxing line.

The fact remains that Murphy has flourished contemporaneously with four world's champions in his division—that he has seen three of them pass into defeat and out of the limelight and is now about to box with the fourth after many years of waiting for a chance at the blue ribbon.

To those who do not know Murphy or have not seen him in action a recital of this kind might suggest that it is hardly fair to expect such a veteran to cope with a strong young fellow like Willie Ritchie, but that's the wonderful thing about Murphy.

In the matter of being well preserved he is in a class with Bob Fitzsimmons, who in his fighting years seemed to have drunk of the fountain of youth.

Battling Nelson Wouldn't Meet Him
A glance at Murphy's record is highly interesting. It contains the names Corbett, Pecky Yanger, Terry McGovern and Frankie Neil, fighters who have been out of the game these many years.

When the Battling Nelson-Joe Gans feud was at its height Tommy was fighting such men as Leach Cross, Matty Baldwin and Packey McFarland and this is ample proof that he would have been a fair enough championship candidate at that time if the chance had come his way.

Murphy was never seriously considered as an opponent for Gans, but Battling Nelson, it is claimed, resolutely refused to sign with the Harlem boy, giving as an excuse that Murphy tried to "put one over" on him while giving an exhibition with eight ounce gloves at the Polo grounds in New York.

This was four years or so ago and shortly afterwards Murphy gave Ad Wolgast a hard time of it during a six round bout in Pittsburgh, so hard that

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after he became champion Wolgast refused to entertain a challenge from Tom He Banks Among Fastest Boxers.

While Murphy has battled along through several generations of pugilists, it can be said without fear of contradiction that he is one of the fastest lightweights in the lists today. It is the pace he sets, in fact, that enables him to hold his own.

Those who have seen him boxing in San Francisco know that he is not given to backing up. Whenever the signal to start is given little Tommy leaps to close quarters and starts a fusillade of lifting punches. It is a style of fighting that forces the man attacked to follow suit and the result is a whirlwind exchange which thrills the spectators and at the same time proves particularly trying to a principal whose condition is not of the best.

You'd Best Beware o' Willie.

Among Ritchie's supporters there is a disposition to believe that Murphy's penchant for close fighting is one of the things that will render Tommy an easy mark for the champion.

It is an acknowledged fact that Ritchie's best punches are the straight right and right cross and he is generally very accurate in measuring it is thought that he will catch Murphy tearing in and drop him.

It may turn out that way, but if Murphy manages to get inside the Ritchie right and start rooting there will be nothing left for Ritchie to do but set himself and fight likewise.

In this short-arm work there is no telling what will happen. Wolgast used to be thought the prince of fighters, but everyone remembers what happened to him in the closing rounds of his last bout with Murphy. Ad Wolgast was beaten to a pulp at his favorite game.

FORMER TRAINER OF WILLIE RITCHIE NOW AIDS HIS FOE

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San Francisco, Dec. 8.—The boxer of today has a mercurial temperament. His likes and dislikes shift at the slightest provocation. From champion to preliminary boy, he is the same, high strung and sensitive.

Frankie Edwards was one of Willie Ritchie's first boxing tutors. He trained him, rubbed him and sought matches for him. At that time Edwards was a star in the short bouts and Ritchie was just budding. They were close friends and traveled about the country as companions.

Since those days things have changed. Ritchie has become lightweight champion of the world and Edwards, still a clever boy and trainer, is coaching Harlem Tommy Murphy in the hope that he may wrest from Ritchie his title.

In other words, Edwards is doing all in his power to take away the honors which at one time he sincerely hoped Ritchie might at some future date secure.

The breach between Ritchie and Edwards is of recent date. Edwards trained Willie for the bout with Wolgast in which he won the world's championship, but soon after they came to the parting of the ways. Edwards, it is said, claims he was not treated right at settling up time and Ritchie has not taken the trouble even to discuss the matter.

But nevertheless Edwards is with Murphy. As a gymnasium preformer there are few better glove men than Edwards. He takes the gaff, knows how to hit and never loses his temper. He is for Harlem Tommy heart and soul and he doesn't care who knows it either.

THE MAN BEHIND THE MOP

How pleasant when you linger in a third establishment And rest your foot upon the rail in calm and deep content And lean your elbow on the bar while some congenial soul

Essays to entertain you with a story new and droll, And then a husky member of the Ethiopian race Busts up the conversation as he starts to mop the place.

The man who can pass a dog fight on the street without stopping to rubber possesses a brand of dignity that is seldom seen outside of a lunatic asylum.

THE GAME STAGED BY SOPHS AND FRESHMEN

One of the most fiercely contested football games that has been staged on the varsity gridiron for some time took place Saturday afternoon when the sophomores and freshmen met in their annual battle, the result being 0 to 0.

The freshmen were picked to be the easy winners, having a fast back field of experienced men and a heavy aggregation in the line. The sophomore team was made up of men who with two exceptions had practically no football experience.

The "fresh" seemed to have things their way the first two quarters but owing to the short quarters, failed to cross the coveted line.

The "soph" coaching staff seemed to put some new life into the sophs, during the period between the halves and in the final half especially the third quarter they clearly outplayed the "rooks."

Two different times during final half the "sophs" were within easy striking distance, having the ball on the 19-yard line once, and on the 23-yard line at another time. Quarterback Dunlap however, essayed to advance one by a pass and the second time by a punt from these positions and the frosh received the ball both times and kicked to safety.

The "frosh" tried a placed in the fourth quarter from a point back of the 28-yard line, the fast work of Bain at end was all that kept the kick from sailing true, the rap he gave it with his hand causing it to sail wide by some five feet.

Because all the men on the teams were not in training, Dr. Sweetland ruled that the quarters should only be eight minutes in length.

The short quarters had much to do with the failure of either side to score. The line-up:

Sophomores—Ganz, R. E. L.; Moore, R. T. L.; Hogue, E. G. L.; Hall, (c), C.; Rice, L. G. R.; Ohling, L. T. R.; Shisler, L. E. R.; Dunlap, Q.; Jowett, R. H. L.; Bain, L. H. R.; Russell, F.

Freshmen—Gates, R. E. L.; Holshaw, R. H. L.; Reetz, R. G. L.; Gregg, C.; Gralapp, L. G. R.; Adams, L. T. R.; Chapell, L. E. R.; Gillette, Q.; Barnes, (c), R. H. L.; Bagley, L. H. R.; Bartlett, F.

Substitutions—Luce for Gary; Gary for Bain; Bain for Luce; Gerhart for Shisler; Stout for Reetz; Steeves for Chappler.

Officials—Dr. Ivan Bellinger, referee; Emery Deane, umpire; Ray Ferris, head linesman. Time of quarters, eight minutes.

Jabs and Jolts

The gent who owns the baseball club are always in his way And cross him on the slightest provocation;

The creature in the bleachers wing the hammer every day And fill his soul with sorrow and vexation.

He gets it from the owners and he gets it from the mob, And stands enough abuse to drive him battie.

I thank the Lord I do not hold the wretched person's job Who tries to run a team in Cincinnati.

Leading a team in Cincinnati is a great little job except that the leader is supposed to remain seven blocks in the rear.

Recent events lead one to suspect that Garry Hermann is the Fred Merkle of the baseball magnates.

Joe Tinker Should Worry. Joe Tinker up and answers thus: "I do not care a Tinker's cuss."

Joe Tinker avers that he would rather work for Charley Murphy than for Garry Hermann. Gee, but Garry is a popular guy.

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The doctor and the undertaker weep: Their hearts are heavy and their woe is deep.

The game of football passes from our midst And blights the golden harvest that they reap.

Eddie Collins refuses to work for \$15,000 a year in the Federal league, evidently on the theory that it is impossible to pay the butcher's bill with stage money.

The official batting averages show that the White Sox are weak hitters, but you can't make the Cub pitchers believe it.

Automobile drivers next year will race for prizes amounting to \$105,000, some of which will not go to the undertakers.

A city huntsman killed a stag. A stag of noble size, And straightway hurried home to brag About his prize.

"How queer! How wondrous queer!" they cried, And yet it was not queer, For he had tried to shoot his guide, And killed the deer.

Once in a while a scribe breaks a precedent by mentioning a football player without calling him a star.

A white hope is not without his good points. Once upon a time we knew one who was a good bartender.

A school for bull-fighters has been opened in Cordova, Spain, and, strange to say, Tom Jones has not been appointed a member of the faculty.

While there is no definite information on the subject, it is rumored that the opening of the aforementioned bull-fighting school has something to do with Charlie Murphy's visit to Europe.

With a salary of \$25,000 a year, Governor Tener will almost be able to buy a dozen of eggs once per week.

Fourteen football players were killed this season, where as only thirteen met their demise last year. Our leading undertakers consider it a successful year.

The battle between Charlie Cutler and Strangler Lewis is on again, in spite of the fact that it never was off.

Some of our theatrical press agents are artists in their chosen profession, but they are rank amateurs beside the agents who perpetrate publicity for wrestling shows.

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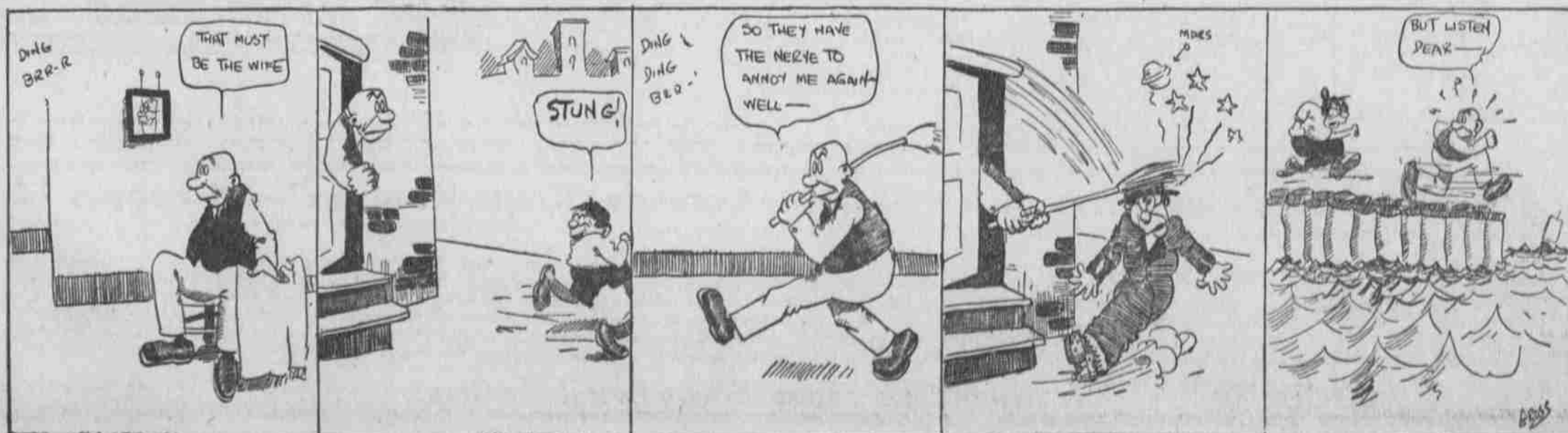
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